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SUBJ: KOREA IN 28TH UNGA--GENERAL COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: NINE COSPONSORS OF KOREAN RESOLUTION MET SEPTEMBER 12 AGAINST BACKGROUND OF UN CIRCULATION OF OUR AND OPPOSITION RESOLUTIONS. WE OUTLINED ISSUES RELATED TO GENERAL COMMITTEE ACTION NEXT WEEK ON FRIENDLY AND OPPOSITION KOREAN ITEMS. WE AGREED ON ACTION NECESSARY TO OBTAIN GC VOTE TO INSCRIBE OUR ITEM 40 AND TO INSCRIBE IT AHEAD OF OPPOSITION ITEM 41. NETHERLANDS PERMREP FACK HAS AGREED TO TAKE LEAD IN GC ON ROK BEHALF. PRELIMINARY GC VOTE ESTIMATES INDICATE WE SHOULD OBTAIN GC SUPPORT ALTHOUGH GC MEMBERSHIP NOT DEFINITE. CONFIDENTIAL

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COSPONSORS NOW APPROACHING ALL BUT COMPLETELY HOSTILE

GC MEMBERS. KEY FIRST COMMITTEE PROCEDURAL ISSUES CITE. END SUMMARY.

1. NINE OF 13 KOREAN RESOLUTION COSPONSORS MET AT USUN AM SEPT 12 TO DISCUSS PRINCIPALLY GENERAL COMITE (GC) ASPECTS OF KOREAN QUESTION. MEETING TOOK PLACE AGAINST BACKGROUND OF CIRCULATION AS UNGA DOCUMENTS OF OUR AND OPPOSITION KOREAN RESOLUTIONS.

OUR RESOLUTION APPEARS AS GA DOC A/9146 UNDER DATE SEPT 10 WITH AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, CANADA, GREECE, JAPAN, LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NICARAGUA, THAILAND, UK, URUGUAY AND US AS COSPONSORS. OPPOSITION RESOLUTION APPEARS AS A/9145, ALSO DATED SEPT 10, WITH ALGERIA, BULGARIA, BYELORUSSIA, CHINA, CONGO, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN, EQUATORIAL GUINEA, HUNGARY, MALI, MALTA, MONGOLIA, POLAND, ROMANIA, SOMALIA, SUDAN, UKRAINE, USSR, TANZANIA, YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC AND YUGOSLAVIA AS COSPONSORS.

2. IN OUR COSPONSORS MEETING IT WAS NOTED THAT GENERAL COMMITTEE COULD REACH QUESTIONS RELATING TO INSCRIPTION AND ALLOCATION OF KOREAN ITEMS ON AFTERNOON 19 SEPT.THE TWO ITEMS ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA ARE NO. 40, THE UNCURK REPORT ITEM, AND NO. 41, THE OPPOSITION ITEM. MOST LIKELY MOVE BY OPPOSITION IS TO PRESS FOR GENERAL COMMITTEE, FOLLOWING INSCRIPTION OF EARLIER ITEMS APPEARING ON PROVISIONAL AGENDA, TO TAKE UP ITEM 41 BEFORE 40; IN ANY EVENT, SEEMS VERY LIKELY THAT OPPOSITION WILL MOVE TO DELETE ITEM 40. WE AGREED THAT WE SHOULD OPPOSE TAKING UP 41 BEFORE 40, AND THAT, OF COURSE, WE SHOULD SEEK TO OBTAIN GENERAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION IN FAVOR OF INSCRIPTION OF 40. (AT ROK RECOMMENDATION MADE DURING THE MEETING, WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH PSOTION IN PAST YEARS, WE WOULD NOT OPPOSE INSCRIPTION OF 41 BUT LET THIS OCCUR UNEVENTFULLY BY CONSENSUS AND WITHOUT NEED FOR VOTE.) NETHERLANDS DEPUTY VAN DER KLAAUW AGREED TO ASK NETHS AMB FACK TO TAKE THE LEAD IN THE GENERAL COMMITTEE IN MAKING NECESSARY MOTIONS TO SECURE COMMON OBJECTIVES. (FACK LATER IN DAY AGREED TO ACCEPT THIS ROLE, WHICH WAS DISCHARGED BY CONFIDENTIAL

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BRITISH LAST YEAR.) WE AGREED THAT AT THIS JUNCTURE THERE IS NO REASON FOR ROK SUPPORTERS TO MOVE FOR GROUPING OF ITEMS 40&41.

3. CURRENT GENERAL COMMITTEE COMPOSITION APPEARS TO BE AS FOLLOWS: (A) PRESIDENT, ECUADOR; (B) VICE PRESIDENTS--CAMEROON, GHANA, TUNISIA, UGANDA, FIJI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, SRI LANGA, CHILA, HONDURAS, NETHERLANDS, SPAIN, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, CHINA, FRANCE, UK, USSR, US;

(C) MAIN COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN--DENMARK (COMMITTEE I), HUNGARY (SPECIAL POLITICAL, SENEGAL (II, UNCONFIRMED), LEBANON (OR ANOTHER ASIAN, III), VENEZUELA (OR, LESS LIKELY, MONGOLIA, IV), AN AFRICAN (V), AND MEXICO (VI). IT WAS GENERALLY AGREED THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE (ALTHOUGH THISNOT YET CERTAIN) TO OBTAIN AN AFFIRMATIVE GC RECOMMENDATION TO INSCRIBE ITEM 40 IF NECESSARY CONTACTS ARE MADE. ASSIGNMENTS IN THE CASE OF EACH GC MEMBER WHOSE POSITION IS UNKNOWN OR CAN BE INFLUENCED WERE MADE; CONTACTS WITH SUCH MEMBERS WILL BE TREATED AS THE PRIORITY TASK DURING THE NEXT FEW DAYS AND OVER THE WEEKEND. US AGREED TO ACT AS CLEARING-HOUSE FOR RECEIPT OF CONTACTS MADE AND FOLLOW-UPS REQUIRED, AND TO KEEP NETHS MISSION CURRENTLY INFORMED. MEETING OF FRIENDLY GC REPS AT NETHERLANDS MISSION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR AFTERNOON SEPT 17. ROK MISSION SAID THAT ITS ADMITTEDLY CONSERVATIVE CURRENT VOTE COUNT IS 8 GC MEMBERS IN FAVOR OF INSCRIBING ITEM 40, WITH 6 OPPOSED. (OBVIOUSLY THERE ARE NUMBER OF QUESTIONS MARKS SINCE GC MEMBERSHIP IS 25.)

- 4. BELGIUM SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY OPPOSITION MIGHT SEEK TO ALLOCATE KOREAN ITEMS TO PLENARY BUT THIS WAS PURELY SPECULATIVE.
- 5. AT REQUEST OF OTHERS, THE MEETING BRIEFLY EXAMINED FIRST COMMITTEE TACTICS ONCE KOREAN ITEMS INSCRIBED AND ALLOCATED THERETO. UK TOOK LEAD IN NOTING IT IS TOO EARLY TO DECIDE ON KEY FIRST COMMITTEE PROCEDURAL ISSUES: WHETHER IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO CONCENTRATE ON PREVENTING OPPOSITION RESOLUTION FROM OBTAINING MAJORITY, TO MOVE FOR PRIORITY FOR OUR RESOLUTION, CONFIDENTIAL

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OR TO AMEND OPPOSITION RESOLUTION, ETC. THERE WAS NOT DISAGREEMENT AS TO UK VIEW. SCALI

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